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Dear Coastal Dungeness Crab Fishery Participant:

This letter is to inform you that the Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife (WDFW) is hosting an industry meeting to discuss rulemaking and implementation of electronic monitoring (EM) in the coastal commercial Dungeness crab fishery on Thursday, May 11, 2023, from 2:00 pm to 5:00 pm.

This meeting will focus on reviewing proposed rules for EM, which is needed to accurately determine fishing location and effort which will support area management and whale co-occurrence modeling required in our conservation plan. WDFW staff have reviewed and tested EM systems and determined that a camera-based system will not be feasible at this time due to storage and data review requirements. WDFW is proposing a requirement for a cellular transmission EM system without video. This meeting will include an update on the WDFW electronic monitoring pilot project, a discussion on minimum system requirements, approximate costs, and an updated timeline for implementation. More information and a meeting agenda will be provided at a later date.

This will be a hybrid meeting you may join virtually by using Microsoft Teams or by phone. The login or call-in information is provided below.

Or there will be limited space available to join in person at:

Region 6 Montesano Office Conference Room
48 Devonshire Rd.
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Sincerely,

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Cc: Lorna Wargo
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